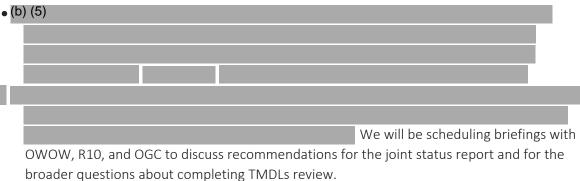
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Thanks for forwarding the past update Jim, that helped a lot. Here is my draft for you and Jim C. to edit:

## **Deschutes River TMDLs**

- Northwest Environmental Advocates (NWEA) filed its single-count complaint, on Monday Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, in the W.D. of Washington (Seattle) court alleging EPA failed to carry out its nondiscretionary duty to approve or disapprove the Deschutes River TMDLs within thirty days after submission by the state.
- R10 received the original TMDL submission package in December 2015 and has not yet taken action. The state made a supplemental submission in July 2017 that arguably include new load calculations for some of the TMDLs. R10 has not acted on that either.
- NWEA has indicated it would like to postpone briefings for six months to provide time for discovery and review. EPA and NWEA will file a joint status report on March 9, 2018.



## **Background**

• (b) (5)

TMDLs, which consisted of 73 water quality impaired segments by five pollutants (temperature, pH, fecal coliform, dissolved oxygen, and fine sediment).

